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SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE
After Action
REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 3, 2001

Morgan Hill Civic Center

Council Chambers
17555 Peak Ave.

Senior Advisory Committee

Chair	Marilyn Gadway
Vice-Chair	William Keig
Committee Member	Kenneth Mort
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Parks & Recreation Commissioner Craig van Keulen

1:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Gadway at 1:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

No Committee Members Absent

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2

PLEDGE

Led by Vice Chair Mort

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None

VERBAL REPORTS

YMCA SENIOR PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

Teri Nelson, Executive Director

The printing of the Senior Center newsletter was delayed due to the Labor Day Holiday. The newsletter would be printed and distributed this week. Ms. Nelson stated she is trying to locate blood pressure screening services for the Senior Center. She believes St. Louise Hospital will no longer provide blood pressure screenings. Chair Gadway asked if the Red Cross or other agency would provide the screenings. Ms. Nelson responded she didn't think the Red Cross provided free blood pressure screening and she wasn't aware of another agency that provided that service. Vice Chair Keig asked if a volunteer could provide the screenings. Ms. Nelson stated blood pressure screenings must be done by a Registered Nurse or other medical professional who has been certified. Liability issues are of concern too if a volunteer conducts the screening. Ken Tougas asked if it is possible to purchase a blood pressure screening machine, similar to the machines at Safeway and drug stores. Ms. Nelson responded the reliability of those machines is not always 100% and providing Seniors with next steps and resources if a reading is questionable is very important.

Ms. Nelson announced the Senior Center is looking to begin a new volunteer program for Seniors and is looking for projects. Chair Gadway mentioned hospitals need small knitted caps for premature babies and lap robes for Seniors are always needed. A Committee Member mentioned La Isla Pacifica needs quilts and blankets.

Ms. Nelson reported the Bingo game is going well and the number of participants in the lunch program is increasing.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Staff Balagso

Staff Balagso reported the City Council and Parks and Recreation Commission will review the preliminary design for the Indoor Community Recreation Center in December 2002. Staff Balagso also reported that City Council had approved the fee schedule for the Community and Cultural Center due to open in December 2002. At the last Senior Advisory Committee meeting, Chair Gadway requested information on Gavilan's contribution to the Community and Cultural Center. Staff Balagso reported that Gavilan did not directly contribute to the cost of construction, but will have a five year renewable triple net lease with the City of Morgan Hill. Gavilan College will pay for its own furniture, fixtures and equipment in the building.

COA ADVISORY COMMISSION

Representative Tougas

Mr. Tougas announced there will be a Patriot Day ceremony on September 11 to commemorate those who lost their lives in the tragedy one year ago. Mr. Tougas will send letters written by Morgan Hill student to the troops overseas via the Marines. There will also be stationery available at Mr. Tougas' table at the ceremony for community member to write letters to the troops.

Mr. Tougas reported the County of Santa Clara has extended its agreement with the Council on Aging to September 30, 2002 for the In Home Health Support Services program. The County was not going to renew its agreement with the Council on Aging to provide these services, but concern from individuals who benefit from the service persuaded the County to extend its contract and consider contract renewal at the end of the extension period.

CAG MEETING REVIEW

Representative Tougas for Committee Member Bautista

Betty Heig (spelling?) will provide a monthly report to the YMCA, which will include examples of CAG's

services. Mr. Tougas also reported that CAG will distribute Advance Directives and organ donor information. The AARP in Mountain View provides this service but the information does not reach the South County area. CAG will distribute the information in South County. Mr. Tougas announced that CAG will participate in the AARP National Day of Service through its Brown Bag Program.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 2, 2002

Minutes approved as amended (3:0)

BUSINESS

2. RENEWAL OF FRIENDLY INN LEASE AND CONTRACT WITH YMCA FOR OPERATION OF SENIOR CENTER.

Recommended Action: Information Only. On August 21, 2002 the City Council approved the two year lease between the City of Morgan Hill and the YMCA of Santa Clara Valley for the Friendly Inn and the one year agreement to operate the Senior Center.

Staff Balagso announced City Council's approval of a two year lease for the Friendly Inn and a one year lease for the operation of the Senior Center by the Mt. Madonna YMCA. The contract and lease are between the City of Morgan Hill and the YMCA of Santa Clara County.

3. REPORT ON CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF SENIOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ON JULY 31, 2002.

Recommended Action. Information Only. City Council approved (5-0) acceptance of the Senior Advisory Committee Resolution regarding the Senior Nutrition Program and requirements for kitchen facilities.

Staff Balagso provided the Minutes from the July 31st Council meeting to the Senior Advisory Committee in the agenda packets. The Minutes reflect a lengthy discussion of the issue among the Council members. The members of the Council recognized the need to consider developing a strategy to meet the needs of the Senior Nutrition Program as well as the needs of the community at-large in regard to equitable access to a kitchen facility. Chair Gadway stated she was glad the Council was made aware of the issue and recognized the need to incorporate both a community kitchen and kitchen for Senior Nutrition Program into the Indoor Community Recreation Center or consider renovation of the Friendly Inn. The members of the City Council stated they appreciated the work of the Senior Advisory Committee on this issue. Vice Chair Keig stated he felt Recreation Manager Julie Spier did an exceptional job in presenting this issue to the Council.

4. COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTER GRAND OPENING

Recommended Action. Information Only. A week-long celebration is schedule for the second week of December 2002. Celebration activities will include a Senior Day and Mayor's Ball on December 7, 2002.

Staff Balagso provided information on the activities planned for the Grand Opening of the Community and Cultural Center. Staff Balagso stated that Joan Harkness and Bob Pusaleck were co-chairing the activities for the Senior Day. Activities that day will include tours of the facility, music and entertainment. Staff Balagso also mentioned the Senior Day committee was looking for volunteers. Other activities for the week include, a Grand

Opening Celebration, Business Day, Youth Day, and art exhibit. Teri Nelson requested that details of the Grand Opening week be forwarded to the Senior Center so a schedule of activities could be included in the newsletter.

5. THANK YOU COFFEE FOR FOUR OUT-GOING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND CURRENT VACANCIES.

Recommended Action: Action Item. Senior Advisory Committee to vote on holding a thank you coffee for four out-going Committee Members and discussion on recruitment for two remaining vacancies.

Staff Balagso stated that there are currently four vacancies on the Senior Advisory Committee. She stated she received 2 applications and those applications had been forwarded to the Parks and Recreation Commission for approval. She asked for the Committee's help to recruit additional members. One of the applicants was referred by Chair Gadway.

Staff Balagso asked the Committee if they would be interested in hosting a coffee for the four out-going committee members. Chair Gadway asked if past members of the Senior Advisory Committee could be included also. She also asked if the former members could receive a plaque or certificate to recognize their work and dedication to senior issues. Chair Gadway stated she would like the new members of the Senior Advisory Committee to attend also. Staff Balagso responded that former members could be invited and that there was significant funding to order plaques. The Recreation Division has funding for the coffee and refreshments. A date in October was discussed.

Vice Chair Keig motioned that the Senior Advisory Committee hold a Thank You Coffee for retired members of the Committee. Committee Member Mort seconded the motion. Motion approved (3:0.)

6. CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE - SANTA CLARA COUNTY NEWS

Recommended Action: Information Only. Hand out monthly legislative update from California Senior Legislature.

Staff Balagso included the Senior Legislature Update in the Committee Members agenda packets.

In a follow-up from a request from Chair Gadway in July, Staff Balagso provided the Committee Members with information on Assembly Bill 1771 Medi-Cal: Income Eligibility: Mobile Homes (Strickland.) AB 1771 creates an income exemption for the cost of space rental for a mobile home that is the principal residence of a Medi-Cal applicant.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Patriot Day Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, September 11:00 at 12:00 p.m. on the lawn between City Hall and the Library.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

to the next monthly meeting scheduled on **October 1 at 1:30 p.m.** in City Council Chambers.
